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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended three months from March 18, 2002 to June 18, 2002 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment. Accordingly, the Request for Continued Prosecution Application and the accompanying Preliminary Amendment are timely filed.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$920.00 for a three-month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying check. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

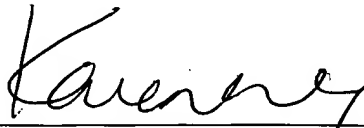
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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. **08-3038** referencing docket number **12665.0009.CNUS01**. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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